

The Watauga Democrat.

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LOCAL NEWS.

—All kinds of fresh candies at Blackburn's.

—Ladies' hats, fascinators, etc., at H. T. Newland & Co's.

—Look out for H. T. Newland & Co's. new ad. next week.

—Messrs. Vassus and Robinson left Monday for New York.

—Mr. T. H. Senhorn, of Lenoir, was in town Tuesday on a business trip.

—A few of those handsome ladies' capes still on hand at H. T. Newland & Co's.

—Mrs. R. C. Rivers returned Sunday, after a visit of several weeks to her mother in Iredell county.

—Joe C. Hodges, of Hagerman, is in Tennessee under the medical treatment of Dr. Butler. His health is, we are sorry to say, very poor.

—At this writing there is considerable snow on the bosom of Mother Earth, and the prospects for more are very good.

—Mr. Boone Deal and family, of Sugar Grove, and Mr. George Swift and family, of Amantia, will leave for Oklahoma about the first of February.

—Miss Maggie, daughter of Capt. E. F. Lovill, who has been spending several months in Iredell and Surry counties, returned to her home in Boone last Sunday.

—I have left my books and accounts with M. B. Blackburn and all parties due me will please make immediate settlement as I am in great need of the same. T. C. BLACKBURN, M. D.

—Mr. John F. Hardin left for Greensboro Tuesday morning with his daughter, Miss Mary L., who will enter the Female College at that place. Much success to this bright and attractive young girl.

—Old friend Parks Watson, of Gap Creek, started last Sunday for New York, where he goes to have an operation performed for fibroid tumor. Mr. Watson is getting much advanced in years, and we fear the result.

—The Watauga Hotel Co. and Z. B. Buchanan, of Blowing Rock, are preparing to open a large stock of general merchandise at Mr. Buchanan's old stand. The house is being greatly enlarged, and the stock is already bought.

—Now, little pigs, with light weight, take a back seat, and give a hog room to give his weight. W. A. Hatton, of Abc, killed a hog a few days since that measured 5 feet 7 inches in length; 5 feet 8 inches around the body and weighed 551 pounds.

—The DEMOCRAT is anxious to procure a good correspondent at every post office in the county; one who will give all the local happenings of interest that transpire in their respective neighborhoods, and arrangements to that end will be perfected in the near future.

—In another column will be found a call from Hon. W. B. Council, our representative, for a mass meeting to be held in Boone on first Monday in Feb. 1899, to get

the views of the people as to the legislation they desire pertaining to a satisfactory road law for Watauga. Look it up, read it, and be sure to attend the meeting, as this is a matter of vital importance to our people.

—Dr. L. C. Reeves and family of Blowing Rock, have gone to Sumter, S. C., where they will spend the winter. The Dr's. health is, we are informed, somewhat impaired, and we hope the change of climate, rest, etc., will soon bring him back to his former health. His services as a physician are being sadly missed at Blowing Rock.

—Mr. Moses H. Cone, of Baltimore, has purchased the farm owned by Mr. Jefferson Brown, near Blowing Rock, which is quite an addition to his large land estate near that famous resort. Mr. Cone is now preparing to erect a magnificent residence on his estate at a cost of \$25,000. It will be on an elevated spot overlooking a lake that will cover 25 acres or more of land.

—The news reaches us that the black leg is raging in some parts of the county, and many cattle are dying from the disease. No such trouble, we are told, was ever here, until the cattle from east of the ridge were driven across. If the quarantine laws are not enforced the year round, our county will soon be full of diseased cattle, and we hope that ere long such a law will be passed.

—The contested election case between Solicitor Harshaw and Mr. J. F. Spainhour is getting to be very interesting. On investigation it was found that Harshaw's majority in Watauga was reported 10 votes too large, and the irregularities in Mitchell county are too numerous to mention. It now seems that Spainhour is sure to wear the official ermine that was claimed by Harshaw on Jan. 1st.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night, and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at M. B. Blackburn's store. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed.

While in Raleigh yesterday Hon. Clement Manly was seen by a Post reporter to whom he stated that he favored an educational qualification to the election law. As to the Louisiana law, Mr. Manly said he was not prepared to give his endorsement to it.—Winston Sentinel.

Yellow Jaundice Cured.

Suffering humanity should be supplied with every means possible for its relief. It is with pleasure we publish the following: "This is to certify that I was a terrible sufferer from Yellow Jaundice for over six months, and was treated by some of the best physicians in our city and all to no avail. Dr. Bell, our druggist, recommended Electric Bitters, and after taking two bottles, I was entirely cured. I now take great pleasure in recommending them to any person suffering from this terrible malady. I am gratefully yours, M. A. Hogarty, Lexington, Ky." Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

A Letter from the State Capitol.

Special Correspondence.

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 5, '99.

—Yesterday was a day of great interest, and importance to the people of North Carolina, as it marked the assembling and organization of a legislature which will have the eyes of the people upon it from the first hour of its deliberations.

Ever since Sunday and even before, the members have been coming in, and along with them were numerous candidates for the different positions to be filled in completing the organization of the body for work.

Monday and Tuesday were busy days as the crowds gathered, and Tuesday night each party held its caucus to decide upon the names to be presented for the respective offices, and here at the very start, Hon. W. B. Council, representative from Watauga county, by being unanimously elected Chairman of the house caucus. This is a very flattering tribute to his worth and standing among the party leaders, when it is noted that the election is for the entire term, and that all important legislation, and questions of most vital importance will first be carefully considered in caucus, and as a matter of fact the open work in the daily sessions will be only to formally endorse the course decided upon in party caucus.

This being considered it is no little honor for a member to be chosen to this place, upon his first appearance at the Capitol as a member of the legislature. Indeed it is honoring Watauga county to thus place her representative to preside over the deliberations of this important body.

Wednesday at 12 M. the Senate and House were each called to order, and duly organized by electing Hon. H. G. Connor speaker of the House and the nominees of the democratic caucus for the other positions to be filled, and then began the active work of the session without delay. It is agreed on all sides that the selection of Judge Connor, as Speaker, is a very happy one, as he is the right man in the right place. The Legislature is a fine body of the ablest men of the State and they will be heard from at once.

CORRESPONDENT.

A Call for Mass-meeting.

To the Voters of Watauga County:

The undersigned earnestly desiring to reflect the will of the majority of the people of the county in the enactment of a road law, does hereby respectfully ask that a mass-meeting of the representative men of each township in the county, without regard to party or political affiliations assemble at the court house in Boone on the first Monday in February next, to consult together and agree, if possible, upon the legislation desired in that behalf, and by petition, resolution or otherwise, instruct me, as your representative, as to the kind of road law most desired by the people; and I do hereby earnestly invite correspondence from the citizens of the county, upon the subject.

Respectfully,

W. B. COUNCIL, Jr.

Life insurance is a good thing but health insurance, by keeping the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla, is still better.

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DON'T DESPAIR!

Go to Friends for Advice;
To Women for Comfort;
To Strangers for Charity, but

FOR BARGAINS GO
to I. N. CORPENING & CO.

Here Are a few Prices NOT
Promises:

Good Green Coffee, 10 cts.
Arbuckle's 2 for 25.
Light Brown sugar 6 1/4 cts.
Granulated Sugar 7 1/2 cts.

Our grocery line consists of
Choice, Fresh Goods in
both Fancy and Hea-
vy Grades, and all

.....AT.....

Rock Bottom Prices.

IN HARDWARE,

We Simply Knock Down
and Drag out Competition.

Genuine Axes .50c.
Lasts and stands .30.
Farmer's Mixed wire nails 2 1/2
Claw Hammers 10c. each.
10 qt Tin Bucket 15c.
Best grade Lubricating Oil
25 cents per gal.
Cylinder Oil 50c.

DRY GOODS, HATS AND

NOTIONS.

Every box and shelf filled
with new and stylish goods,
and Each article is la-
beled with a bar-
gain.

Ginghams 4 cts.
Plaids 5 cts.
Shawls at cost!!!

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes.

NEW AND EXCELLENT:
Come right along and buy
your winter foot-wear. Thick
and heavy at thin, split-leath-
er prices.

JULGEMENT

Is a most rare and precious
gem.

NOW USE A LITTLE OF IT
and invest your CASH with
us.

All kinds of produce ta-
ken in exchange for our net
cash goods.

Soliciting a liberal future
patronage, and thanking you
in advance for same, we are,
Very Truly,

I. N. CORPENING & CO.

Banner Elk, N. C., Dec. 10.

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LISTEN.

I am not going to tell you something about the war
with Spain, for it is over, but the war with
my competitors is still going on and
I am still furnishing all my
customers with the
best bargains
ont.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

IN

this line

I am fully abreast with
the times, as I keep everything usually kept
in a first-class store and will supply my cus-
tomers with nothing but the BEST GOODS
at "CHEAP GOODS" prices. Very truly yours,

M. B. BLACKBURN,

Jan. 12.

The State Normal and Industrial College.

Offers the young women of the State thorough professional, liter-
ary, classical, scientific, industrial education. Annual expenses \$90 to
\$130. Faculty of 30 members. More than 400 regular students.
Has matriculated about 1,500 students, representing every county
in the State except two. Practice and Observation School of about
200 pupils. To secure board in dormitories, all free-tuition appli-
cations must be made before August 1.

Correspondence invited from those desiring competent trained
teachers.

For catalogue and other information, address
PRESIDENT McIVER, GREENSBORO, N. C.

BARON Rothschild, a mil-
lionaire, and member of the
English Parliament, died in
London recently.

Wanted for Cash.

Quartered oak 1 inch thick.

Plain oak 1 inch thick.

Oak squares 4 X 4, 26 inches
long, or in lengths to cut 26 inches
without waste. Also 3 1/4
3 1/4 30 inches long.

Poplar and ashe squares 5 X 5
and up, long.

Poplar plank any thickness.

J. M. BARNHARDT,
LENOIR, N. C.

WAR.
WAR, WAR.

I will sell you goods cheap
for CASH,

—WAR OR NO WAR.—

So if you don't believe it,
come and see for yourself: I
have the largest and best se-
lected stock of new and sty-
lish goods ever seen in this
section, and at

Bottom PRICES.

For instance, I will sell you
2 pint cups for 5 cts.; 1/2 gal.
covered bucket 5 cts.; 3 gal.
open bucket, 25 cts.; 10 qt.
dish pan 20 cts.

Clothing.

Boy's suits \$2.50 and up;
men's suits \$2.90 and up;
men's fine shirts, late styles,
50 cts. and up; men's fur and
straw hats cheap.

Men's, ladies' and child-
ren's shoes at any and all
prices.

Groceries.

Coffee, sugar, oat meal,
canned tomatoes, peaches,
oysters, sardines, potted ham
etc. always on hand.

HARDWARE.

Hoes, shovels, bull-tongue
and calf-tongue plows, Farm-
er's Friend repairs, Oliver
points and No. 52 Chat-
ta-nooga points, etc.

DRY GOODS.

Calicoes 4 1/2 cts. and up, fine
cashmeres 17 cts. and up. A
nice lot of shirt waist goods
just in, and, in fact, almost
anything you call for.

WANTED. Wheat, rye, corn,
eggs, feathers, beeswax, chickens
wool, etc. at highest market
prices; also roots and herbs.

Thanking you all for past pa-
tronage, I am,

YOURS ANXIOUS TO PLEASE,

Will W. Holsclaw.

NOTICE.

Having qualified as adminis-
trators of J. F. Trivett, deceased,
late of Watauga county, N. C.,
this is to notify all persons hav-
ing claims against the estate of
said deceased to exhibit them to
the undersigned on or before the
5th day of Jan., 1900, or this no-
tice will be plead in bar of their
recovery. All persons indebted to
said estate will please make im-
mediate settlement. This Jan. 4,
1898. ELIZA TRIVETT & J. R.
SRIVETT, Administrators.

CASORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the
Signature
of
J. H. P. H. H.

Taylor & Mast.

"Friends and Customers we send
this to you,
With many thanks and good
wishes too;
And will endeavor to give you
more
For your money's worth than ev-
er before."

BARGAINS'

The trading public is for-
ever casting about in
pursuit of bargains in
merchandise, and some
find them, while others
fail. We take this meth-
od of informing our cus-
tomers and friends that
we are now better than
ever before prepared to
offer you extra bargains
in

General Merchandise.

When we make an asser-
tion in these columns we
intend to do just what we
say. We do not say one
thing and do another.

We have a nice, new stock
of goods, and are selling
them at popular prices. Our
stock consists of a general
line of goods, and, as we buy
our goods just right, we are
prepared to sell them at low
figures.

We want to buy all your
good

PRODUCE:

Such as
Corn,
Rye,
Oats,
Hacon, etc.

and will pay you the highest
market price for same.

Let us say in conclu-
sion that we cannot sell on
time. Our goods are marked
at pay down prices, and we
cannot sell them on time.

Thanking our friends for
past favors and soliciting a
continuation of their patron-
age, we are Resp.

TAYLOR & MAST.
Valle Crucis. 2-17-98.